

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: DEVICE FOR TREATING A CONTAINER WITH MICROWAVE PLASMA

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 13, 2008, and the Notice of Appeal filed May 13, 2009, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 have been examined and have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

I. Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) in view of DE 4316349 to Lieber ("Lieber") and U.S. Patent No. 5,074,245 to Ota et al. ("Ota")

The Examiner has again rejected claims 1-13, 15-17, 19 and 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Lieber in view of Ota.